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N THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

Pär von MALMBORG et al.

Title:

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Appl. No.:

10/812,914

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Jonathan M. Foreman

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$\frac{\textbf{REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)}}{\underline{\textbf{TRANSMITTAL}}}$

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

- 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)
 - a. Enclosed are:

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[X] Amendment/Reply.

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Miscellaneous:

[] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of __ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

RCE Fee 1.17(e):	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For		tra Claims esent]	Rate \$810.00		Fee Totals
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Total Claims:	21	-	21	= 0		x	\$52.00	==	\$0.00
Independents	6	-	6	= 0		x	\$220.00	=	\$0.00
First p	resentation o	f any	Multiple D	epend	ent Claims:	+	\$390.00	=	\$0.00
					CLAIMS	FEE	TOTAL:	=	\$810.00

[] Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$490.00		\$0.00		
		Extension for response filed within the second month: \$490.00				
[] E	Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$1,110.00		\$0.00		
[] E	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	•	\$0.00			
[] E	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,350.00	•	\$0.00		
	EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:					
	-	\$0.00				
	•	\$0.00				
	•	\$810.00				
[X]	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):					
[]	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R.	§ 1.103(c)		\$0.00		
	TC	TAL FEE:		\$405.00		

A credit card payment form in the amount of \$405.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

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Respectfully submitted,

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